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In the Claims:

Claim 1 is amended herein. The remaining claims are not amended in this response.

1. (currently amended) A method for correcting ~~defects~~ a defect, which is not substantially constituted by the presence of a foreign body, on a color filter, comprising the steps of providing a laser irradiation unit and an ink jet ~~unit together~~ unit, each in movable relation to a color filter, setting a diameter of a laser beam of the laser irradiation unit on a circular correcting region including a defective portion ~~when and~~ irradiating the circular correcting region to remove the defective portion of a the color filter ~~is removed by irradiation of the laser beam, dropping~~ and to create a circular depression adapted to receive and retain ink, and using the ink jet unit to drop a corrective ink to an upper surface of the circular ~~correcting region by the ink jet unit after the circular~~ correcting region has been removed into the circular depression, and hardening and shrinking the corrective ink by an ink hardener thereafter, ~~wherein the relative position of the laser~~ irradiation unit and the ink jet unit is variable.

2. (original) A method for correcting defects on a color filter, comprising the steps of setting a diameter of a laser beam on a circular correcting region including a defective

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portion when the defective portion of a color filter is removed by irradiation of the laser beam, and depositing a metal film by laser CVD method to the circular correcting region after the circular correcting region has been removed.

3. (original) A method for correcting defects on a color filter according to claim 2, wherein the metal film to be deposited by the laser CVD method contains chromium or tungsten as main components.

4. (original) A method for correcting defects on a color filter according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the defective portion to be removed by irradiation of the laser beam is a black defect.